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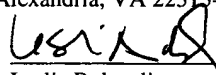
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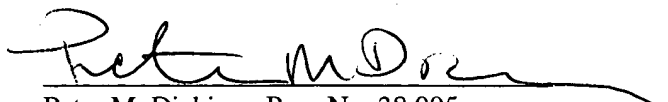
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2. Copy of the International Search Report from Patent Cooperation Treaty Application  
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3. Copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report from Patent Cooperation Treaty  
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4. Form PTO-1449 (1 page);
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Applicant and their legal representatives hereby make of record on the attached PTO Form-1449 the following publications, which are known to them and considered warranting disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

Applicant states that the publications were cited in an International Search Report issued in connection with a counterpart Patent Cooperation Treaty Application No. PCT/US03/35716. A copy of the International Search Report is also enclosed for the Examiner's review. The above-identified patent application was filed after June 30, 2003, therefore, copies of the cited references are not enclosed as the requirement under 37 CFR 1.98(a)(2)(i) has been waived. A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report issued in counterpart Patent Cooperation Treaty Application No. PCT/US03/35716 is also enclosed for the Examiner's Review.

It is respectfully requested that the information above be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and that the publications be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom. In this regard, it is requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 with the next Patent Office Communication.


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